

## CLAIMS:

1. A data-storage system (100, 200) comprising:
  - a processor means (110, 260) for obtaining identifier data of media content existing in the system, the identifier data being used for identifying the media content, and
  - a memory (120, 265) for retaining the identifier data after the media content is  
5 absent from the system,
  - a retrieval means (110, 260) being arranged to allow retrieval of the media content using the identifier data.
2. The data-storage system of claim 1, wherein the retrieval means is arranged to  
10 allow retrieval of the media content, which is absent in the system and stored in a first device (299) external to the system, from the first device to a second device external to the system..
3. The data-storage system of claim 1, wherein the processor means is arranged to allow generating the identifier data by analyzing media content stored in a device (299)  
15 external to the system, for retrieval of the media content from said external device.
4. The data-storage system of claim 1, wherein the processor means is arranged to receive the identifier data with the media content, or to generate the identifier data.
- 20 5. The data-storage system of claim 1, wherein the processor means is arranged to obtain the identifier data after the media content is absent from the system.
6. The data-storage system of claim 5, wherein the processor means is arranged to receive the identifier data from a device external to the system (299), the external device  
25 being arranged to obtain the identifier data (generated/extracted) for the media content.
7. The data-storage system of claim 1, wherein the system further comprises a recorder (255) for recording the media content, and/or a storage means (140, 270) for storing the media content before the media content is absent from the system.

8. The data-storage system of claim 1, wherein
- the processor means is arranged to enable a user to input meta-data describing the media content, or
  - 5 - the processor means is arranged to enable a user to input the identifier data.
9. The data-storage system of claim 1, wherein the identifier data comprise:
- storage identifier data indicating a storage device (299) external to the system, the device being arranged to store the media content after the media content is absent from
  - 10 the system, and/or
  - location data indicating the location of the media content in the external storage device.
10. The data-storage system of claim 1, wherein the identifier data relate to meta-
- 15 data describing the media content, the meta-data comprising information about at least one of:
- a time and/or a date when the media content is recorded,
  - a location where the media content is recorded,
  - a user identity data.
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11. The data-storage system of claim 1, wherein the processor means is arranged to:
- select meta-data describing a desired media content,
  - find the identifier data corresponding to the selected meta-data,
  - 25 - determine a content-storage device (299) in which the desired content is stored,
  - determine a presentation device for presenting the content,
  - enable the presentation device to obtain the content from the content-storage device.
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12. At least one consumer electronics product being one of a video camera, a computer (PDA), a video recorder, or a remote control device, comprised in the data-storage system as claimed in any one of the preceding claims.

13. A method of storing data, the method comprising the steps of:
- (520) obtaining identifier data of media content existing in a data-storage system, the identifier data being used for identifying the media content,
  - (530) retaining the identifier data after the media content is absent from the
  - 5 system, and
  - (540) allowing retrieval of the media content using the identifier data.
14. A computer program product enabling a programmable device, when executing said computer program product, to function as the system as defined in claim 1.